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SEPTEMBER 7, 2018 BOARD MINUTES

(Approved as Amended 10-5-2018)

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Maynard	Chairman	✓	
Mr. William Salomaa	Secretary	✓	
Mr. Michael Celona	Vice Chairman	✓	
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	✓	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member	✓	
NEWWA representative	Vacant		
Mass Labor representative	Vacant		
STAFF	POSITION		
Mr. James O'Connor	Board Counsel	✓	
DPL - Administrative Assistant	Administrative Assistant		✓
Larry Lemieux	Executive Director	✓	

MEETING CALL TO ORDER by Chairman Maynard at 9:06 a.m.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A Motion was made to accept the March 2, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Mr. Lukis and 2nd by Mr. Salomaa. Board Vote: – Unanimous.

A Motion was made to accept the August 3, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Mr. Coppes and 2nd by Mr. Lukis: Board Vote: – Unanimous.

A Motion was made to accept the August 3, 2018 Executive Session, Board Meeting Minutes (with amendments) by Mr. Coppes and 2nd by Mr. Lukis: Board Vote: – Unanimous.

TCH APPLICATIONS

Organization	Course Name	Course ID No.	# of TCHs
Surpass Chemical	Coagulation and Basic Charge Chemistry	DWT-2018-33	6
Hach Chemical	Introduction to Chlorine	DWT-2018-34	0.5
Hach Chemical	Drinking Water Disinfection	DWT-2018-35	0.5
Hach Chemical	Introduction to pH	DWT-2018-36	0.5
Hach Chemical	pH Potentiometric Technology	DWT-2018-37	1.0
Hach Chemical	production to Turbidity	DWT-2018-38	0.5
Hach Chemical	Turbidity Cephalometric Technology	DWT-2018-39	0.5
Hach Chemical	Introduction to Conductivity	DWT-2018-40	0.5



Hach Chemical	Conductivity Technology	DWT-2018-41	0.5
Organization	Course Name	Course ID No.	# of TCHs
Hach Chemical	Introduction to Dissolved Oxygen	DWT-2018-42	0.5
Hach Chemical	Introduction to Total Organic Carbon	DWT-2018-43	0.5
Hach Chemical	Measuring Total Organic Carbon	DWT-2018-44	0.5
New England Water Works	Groundwater	DWT-2018-45	2
New England Water Works	Water Treatment	DWT-2018-47	2
New England Water Works.	Management/Finance	DWT-2018-48	2
New England Water Works	Distribution	DWT-2018-49	2
New England Water Works	Vermont Centric	DWT-2018-50	2
New England Water Works	PFOA and PFAS Contamination	DWT-2018-51	1
Bay state Roads/UMass	Trenching and Excavating Safety	Pending Review	
Bay state Roads/UMass	OSHA 10 Hours	Pending Review	
Bay state Roads/UMass	Confined Space Training	Pending Review	
Bay state Roads/UMass	Work Zone Safety	Pending Review	
Bay state Roads/UMass	Red Cross First Aid Cert.	Pending Review	
Bay state Roads/UMass	Flagger Cert. (Mass DOT)	Pending Review	
Barnstable County Water	Sodium Hypochlorite Training	Pending Review	

TEC APPLICATIONS /PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES:

Peabody Water Dept. PWS ID#:3229000 Grade T2 – Joshua Terenzoni – Approved conditionally (August 3, 2018) pending verification that DEP Regional office is requiring an additional secondary operator. Since 8/3/2018 meeting Chairman Maynard spoke with MassDEP regional office (NERO) and they verified that they are requiring an additional secondary operator as part of the sanitary survey evaluation.

Lowell Reginal Water Utility PWS ID#316000 Steven Duchesne -T3 - No Action Taken – Will be reviewed at next scheduled Board Meeting 10/5/2018.

Discussion:

- Suggestion was made that it might be helpful to develop a “TEC Policy” for 236 CMR 4:05 (3) – Temporary Emergency Certification.

DISCUSSION –

Certificate of Competency : As discussed at 8/3/2018 Board Meeting.

- Board Policy DWB-2010-001 – Training Requirement to sit for Exams – Section IX – Waivers. Chairman Maynard received a call about the Sacramento State (90 hour) Water Distribution System Operations and Maintenance correspondence course. Does the course meet the meets the “certificate of competency in water treatment technology or related technical field” section of Board Policy DWB-2010-001 Section IX Waivers.
- Mr. Coppes stated that he would review the Sacramento State University course to see if it covers the topics identified in Board Policy DWB-2010-001 – “Training Requirement to sit for Exams – Attachment 1 – Basic Distribution Training Course” outline.

As discussed at 9/7/2018 Board Meeting.

- Mr Coppes reported that he reviewed and compared the (90) hour Sacramento State Course “Operations and Maintenance” correspondence course with the Board Policy

DWB-2010-001 – “Training Requirement to sit for Exams – Attachment 1 – Basic Distribution Training Course” outline. His conclusion was that the Sacramento State course was comprehensive course and meets or exceeds the requirements outlined in Attachment 1. And therefore meets the “Certificate of Competency” under IX (1) (a) – Waivers.

A Motion was made to accept the Sacramento State University course as a certificate of competency while filing a Waiver to sit for exam was made by Mr. Coppes and 2nd by Mr. Celona.

Discussion:

Comment: Jen Pederson/ Don Bunker – by allowing an individual to take the Sacramento Course and apply for a Waiver to sit for the exam, it will circumvent the current educational requirement of having to take the “Basic Distribution Training Course”. This will lead to more and more operators taking the Sacramento Course and filing Waivers and not taking the Basic Distribution Training Course.

Comment: Need to further define what constitutes a “Certificate of Competency”? currently it is defined in 236 CMR 2.03 “Certification of Competency means a certificate issued by an organization, institute or school which is recognized by the Board as being appropriate for the training of a public water system operator.

The Motion was withdrawn.

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- DPL – Will be hiring part-time administrative assistant to assist with Board of Certification work

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- Regulation Review – on-going
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Board of Certification	Total License Applications	Full License approved	Operator in Training approved	Returned for additional information	Not Processed	DPL/OIT Approved*
July- 2018	74	49	12	13		
Aug. 2018	45	18	2	0	19	
Sept.						

* DPL Approved by Board Policy

INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE – Docket # 2018-000778-IT-ENF & Docket # 2018-000779-IT-ENF

A motion to move into Investigative Conference was made by Mr. Celona and 2nd by Mr. Salomaa. Board Vote: Unanimous

Counsel O’Connor reviewed the (2) cases and the investigation results.

A motion to dismiss the complaints (# 2018-000778-IT-ENF & # 2018-000779-IT-ENF) due to lack of evidence was made by Mr. Lukis and 2nd by Mr. Coppes– Board Vote: Unanimous

A motion move out of Investigative Conference and reopen the meeting was made by Mr. Coppes 2nd by Mr. Lukis. Board Vote: Unanimous

APPLICATION REVIEW

Licenses	Applied	Action Taken
Craig Armitstead	D1	D1-OIT
Tiffany Blake	T2	T2 Full
Christopher Cassidy (S)	D2	D2 Full
Samuel Clarke	T2	T2 OIT
James F. Costello	D1	Additional Information Required
Duncan Colter	T1	T1 OIT
James M. Deni	D3	Additional Information Required
Daniel D'Innocenzo	D3	D3 Full
Michael Dunn	D1	D1 Full
Adam Finkelstein	D2	
Mason T. Flagg	T1	Additional Information Required
David Gottshall	T3	T3 Full- D. Coppes - Recuse
David Gottshall	D1	D1 Full D. Coppes - Recuse
Gray Giangregorio	D1	D1 OIT
Daniel Niewinski	T1	
Manuel Pacheco	D4	D4
Jared P. Pearson	D1	D1 Full
Nathan Oliver	T1	
Nathan Oliver	VSS	
Heriberto Rodriguez	D1	D1 Full
Gary Santos	T4	T4 Full
George Saraceno	D1	D1 OIT
Robert A. Swiniarski	T3	T3 Full
Christopher Sykes	D2	D2 OIT-Need Info on Experience
Christopher Sykes	D3	D3 OIT-Need Info on Experience
Kyle Taylor	D2	D2 Full
Robert Terpstra	D3	D3 Full
Garibaldi Torres	T1	T1 OIT
Mark Turner	VSS	VSS Full
Paul M. Voiland	VSS	VSS Full
Up-Grades	Applied	
Peter Burke	D2	D2 Full

Stephen Cronin	D3	D3 Full
George Delp	T1	T1 Full
Daniel Peters	T1	T1 Full
Kyle Roberts	T2	Denied
Kyle Roberts	D2	D2 Full
Eugene Tretheway	T1	T1 Full
Robert West	D2	D2 Full
Reciprocity		
Michael Arrude		Denied

At 12:15, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Coppes and 2nd by Mr. Lukis:
Board Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael J. Maynard

Michael J. Maynard, Chairman
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators

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